

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>APPLICANT :</b>	Covelli	<b>CONFIRMATION No.:</b>	1368
<b>SERIAL NUMBER. :</b>	10/523,618	<b>EXAMINER :</b>	Jonathan R. Stroud
<b>FILING DATE :</b>	April 25, 2006	<b>ART UNIT :</b>	3774
<b>FOR :</b>	IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE		

**Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed on January 25, 2008 in the above-identified application. With this extension, the response is due on or before July 25, 2008.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge \$525.00 payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). Applicant believes no further fee is due at this time; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **28558-501 NATL**.

Respectfully submitted,

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